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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN PURCHASE OF COFFEE

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1. ECONOFF SPOKE TO DANIEL MORALES ALANIS, SUBDIRECTOR OF SALES OF THE MEXICAN COFFEE INSTITUTE, ON AUGUST 25 ABOUT BRZAILIAN PURCHASE OF COFFEE FROM OTHER NATIONS. HE SAID HIS INSTITUTE, WHICH HANDLES ABOUT 40 PERCENT OF TOTAL MEXICAN EXPORTS OF COFFEE, HAD MADE NO SALES TO BRAZIL, NOR DID HE THINK ANY OTHER MEXICAN FIRM HAD. HE COULD SEE NO ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION FOR ANY SUCH SALES. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MEXICO CAN SELL ALL IT PRODUCES IN ITS TRADITIONAL MARKETS

AND MEXICAN COFFEE WOULD NOT FIT BRAZILIAN NEEDS.

2. HOWEVER, HE ALSO STATED THAT BRAZIL HAD PURCHASED COFFEE FROM SAN SALVADOR AND ANGOLA. THE COFFEE FROM SAN SALVADOR WAS OF HIGH QUALITY TO BE USED IN FREEZE DRIED COFFEE. THE ANGOLAN COFFEE WAS SUPPOED TO BE OF SUCH POOR QUALITY THAT THE EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES, WHO GENERALLY DO NOT BUY THE BETTER GRADES, REFUSED TO TAKE IT. HOWEVER, BRAZIL WOULD USE THE ANGOLAN COFFEE IN MAKING ORDINARY SPRAY DRIED INSTANT, WHICH UTILIZED ONLY THE POOREST GRADES. FROM MEXICO'S POINT OF VIEW, HE WAS NOT TROUBLED BY THE BRAZILIAN PURCHASES.

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